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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 17, 2004, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents:

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,486,291 B2 (MROZINSKI et al.), November 26, 2002;
- (2) U.S. Patent No. 5,989,698 (MROZINSKI et al.), November 23, 1999;
- (3) U.S. Patent No. 6,660,339 B1 (DATTA et al.), December 9, 2003;
- (4) U.S. Patent No. 5,126,189 (TANNY et al.), June 30, 1992;
- (5) U.S. Patent No. 6,702,878 B2 (ITO et al.), March 9, 2004;
- (6) U.S. Patent No. 6,733,915 B2 (BARTON et al.), May 11, 2004;
- (7) U.S. Patent No. 5,554,414 (MOYA et al.), September 10, 1996;
- (8) U.S. Patent No. 5,158,680 (KAWAI et al.), October 27, 1992;
- (9) U.S. Patent No. 5,156,780 (KENIGSBERG et al.), October 20, 1992;

- (10) U.S. Patent No. 5,462,586 (SUGIYAMA et al.), October 31, 1995;
- (11) U.S. Patent No. 5,446,118 (SHEN et al.), August 29, 1995;
- (12) U.S. Patent No. 5,437,900 (KUZOWSKI), August 1, 1995;
- (13) U.S. Patent No. 4,859,215 (LANGSAM et al.), August 22, 1989;
- (14) U.S. Patent No. 6,630,268 B2 (TOSCO et al.), October 7, 2003;
- (15) U.S. Patent No. 4,657,564 (LANGSAM et al.), April 14, 1987;
- (16) U.S. Patent No. 5,232,085 (HAYASHI et al.), August 3, 1993;
- (17) U.S. Patent No. 6,613,131 B2 (UJITA et al.), September 2, 2003;
- (18) U.S. Patent No. 4,654,055 (MALON et al.), March 31, 1987;
- (19) U.S. Patent Application Publication US 2003/0198747 A1 (NAKAGAWA et al.), October 23, 2003;
- (20) U.S. Patent Application Publication US 2005/0170237 A1 (NAKAGAWA et al.), August 4, 2005;
- (21) U.S. Patent Application Publication US 2001/0019773 A1 (AKAMATSU et al.), September 6, 2001;
- (22) U.S. Patent Application Publication US 2002/0014154 A1 (WITZKO et al.), February 7, 2002;
- (23) U.S. Patent Application Publication US 2004/0060437A1 (FROST et al.), April 1, 2004;
- (24) J. Bico et al., "Wetting of textured surfaces", Colloids and Surfaces, A: Physicochemical and Engineering Aspects 206 (2002), pp. 41-46;
- (25) J. Lee et al., J. Micromech. Microeng. 15 (2005), pp. 591-600.

Copies of documents (24) and (25) and a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing documents (1) –(25) is enclosed. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

In view of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to partially waive the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (iii), copies of the U.S. patents and published U.S. patent applications cited above are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of this statement. However, if an Office Action has issued and is crossing in the mail with this statement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0089 any fee necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted information.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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